## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

 (Currently amended) A pavement marking pattern comprising: an independent first independent section, an independent second independent section, wherein said second section is an insert created by said first section and coplanar in relationship to said first and said second section, defining a top surface and a bottom surface, said first section contiguous to said second section and said first section to forming an intersection therebetween,

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- an adhesive, said adhesive bridging and bonding said intersection to maintain integrity of said pavement marking pattern. integrity.
- (Canceled) The pavement marking pattern of claim 1 wherein said first and said second sections are coplanar.
- (Original)The pavement marking pattern of claim 1 wherein said first section is formed from a thermoplastic.
- (Original) The pavement marking pattern of claim 1 wherein said second section is formed from a thermoplastic.
  - 5. (Original) The pavement marking pattern of claim 1 wherein said adhesive comprises a thermosetting adhesive.
  - 6. (Original) The pavement marking pattern of claim 1 wherein said adhesive comprises a thermoplastic adhesive.
  - 7. (Currently amended) The pavement marking pattern of claim 1 wherein said adhesive is sprayable <u>bridging said intersections on the bottom surfaces of said first section and said second section as a polyamide. EVA based hot melt or other hot melt polyamide resin based adhesive.</u>
- 8. (Canceled) A pavement marking pattern comprising: a first independent thermoplastic section, a second independent thermoplastic section, said first section contiguous said second section to form an intersection therebetween, a sprayed thermoplastic adhesive, said sprayed thermoplastic adhesive bridging said intersection and adhered to said first and second sections to maintain marker pattern integrity.
  - 9. (Canceled) The pavement marking pattern of claim 8 wherein said independent sections are coplanar.

- 10. (Canceled) The pavement marking pattern of claim 8 6 wherein said sprayed thermoplastic adhesive comprises a polyamide resin sprayed on the bottom surfaces of the first and second sections.
- 11. (Canceled) The pavement marking pattern of claim 8 wherein said sprayed thermoplastic adhesive comprises a string-like shape.

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- 12. (Currently amended) The pavement marking pattern of claim § 1 comprising a first section and a plurality of second sections, each of the second sections separated by said first section.
- 13. (Canceled) A planar pavement marking pattern comprising: a first thermoplastic section, said first thermoplastic section defining a top surface and a bottom surface, a plurality of second thermoplastic sections, said second sections each defining a top and a bottom surface contiguous to and coplanar with said first thermoplastic section to form intersections therewith, a spray adhesive, said spray adhesive bridging said intersections thereof to maintain the integrity of the planar pavement marking pattern.
  - 14. (Currently amended) The pavement marking pattern of claim 13 1 wherein said spray adhesive comprises a thermoplastic with a softening point approximately the same as the first and second sections in a range of 90 degrees C to about 210 degrees C and more preferably in a range of 90 degrees C to about 120 degrees C.
- 20 15. (Canceled) The pavement marking pattern of claim 13 wherein said spray adhesive comprises a plurality of spiral string-like shapes.
  - 16. (Currently amended) The planar pavement marking pattern of claim 13 1 wherein said first section comprises a grid and said second section comprises a plurality of grid inserts.
- 25 17. (Canceled) The pavement marking pattern of claim 13 wherein said spray adhesive comprises a polyamide resin.

Applicant submits that the application is now in condition for allowance, and early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

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